AT DANVILLE.

St. John's Day was observed by Washburn Lodge, F. and A. M. The exercises took place Sunday afternoon at the town hall, which was prettily decorated with potted plants and evergreens. Rev. A. F. Walch of St. Johnsbury delivered the address which was a most interesting and helpful one and was based on the text "Fear God and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." Music was furnished by the ladies' quartette of the Congregational church. The service was very enjoyable and was largely attended by the Masons. members of the O. E. S., and the general

Following are the newly elected officers for the Epworth League for the coming six months: President, Miss M. Hamilton; first vice president, Dr. C. E. Libbey; second vice president, Mrs. Ella Crane; third vice president, Mrs. Minnie Ingalls; fourth vice president, Mrs. Florence McCullough; secretary, Miss Nancy Peck; treasurer, Walter H. Gould. The Methodist Sunday school has received an invitation from the Methodist Sunday school at St. Johnsbury to join them in a picnic at Joe's Pond, Thursday, June 25. The West Danville Methodist church Suuday school and Epworth League have also been

The entertainment given for the benefit of the Library Association, Friday evening of last week, was very well attended and netted the society about \$40. The comedy, "A Modern Ananias" was full of laughable situations from start to finish and kept everyone in the greatest good nature. It was very well acted and reflected great credit on the perform-

Col. William Dole has returned from a two weeks' visit with his daughter, Mrs. George Greenbank, at Holden, Mass.

Mrs. S. C. Currier is visiting her parents at Barre and will attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Jennie Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Wescott and daughter of Portland, Maine, are visiting at W. H. Nutting's.

Eli Smith has gone to work for Varnum & Gilfillan in New York state, near Troy. Children's Day will be observed by the Methodist church, next Sunday by a special sermon in the morning and exercises by the Sunday school in the evening. Mrs. F. W. Taylor of St. Johnsbury

and Miss Alice Baker, a graduate nurse of the Rhode Island Hospital at Provi dence, were the guests of Miss Fannie anforth, Wednesday. Mrs. C. L. Powers of Greenfield, N. H. has been visiting Miss Goldie Williams.

Putnam McMillan and daughter, Emily, of Minneapolis, have been visiting the past week at Miss Emily Davis'. Miss Kate Currier has returned from New York City for her summer vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Stocker are attending the commencement exercises at Norwich University, where their son Marshall graduates this week. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stocker and Miss Edith Ranney are also attending the exercises.

Miss Sadie Colby has returned from Norwich, where she has been teaching. Byron P. Wright returned from Hebron, Maine, Friday.

Rev. Mr. Ryan of Peacham preached Methodist church, Sunday, in exchange with Rev. Joseph Hamilton. Gardner Celley of Woodbury has been visiting friends in town.

Mrs. George Leighton and daughter of Dover, N. H., are visiting relatives in

Mr. and Mrs. Pliny Hamilton of New-

port are visiting at Rev. Joseph Hamil-Harry Brown of Hardwick has been

visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher. Miss Annie Gaucher of Lyndonville is

visiting at Harry Crane's. Mrs. Charles Tice has returned from West Derby, where she was called on account of the illness and death of ber sis-

ter, Mrs. Lovering. Mrs. Fred Leighton and Miss Martha Tice also attended the funeral. Miss Lura Wesson has returned from

the Mary Fletcher Hospital at Burling-Dr. O. E. Carter was in Burlington

last week, where he attended the meeting of the State Board of Health. Mrs. E. M. Roberts of Boston is stop-

ping at Mrs. A. C. McLean's. Mr. and Mrs. John Hale and Miss Victoria Holbrook of St. Johnsbury, are at the Elm House.

O. H. Young advertises at public auction at his farm lately sold on Pumpkin Hill, his personal property and farm tools. The auction will be held Thursday, July 2, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and Burns Gammell is to be the auc-

Arrangements are being made for a Fourth of July celebration here and full particulars will be given next week.

The semi-annual business meeting o the Christian Endeavor society will be held in the church vestry tonight, when a full attendance is requested.

The Christian Endeavor society will hold a social at the church parlors, Tuesday evening, June 30. Ice cream and cake will be served.

PASSUMPSIC.

Rev. C. D. R. Meacham attended the graduating exercises at the Johnson Normal school last week.

Frank Dow and wife arrived fron Spokane, Wash., last week. This is Mr. Dow's first visit to Vermont since removing to the west twelve years ago. Mrs. Dow has made the trip across the continent several times during this period. Their many old friends will be delighted to again greet them. Mrs. L. M. Thomas is visiting C. H.

Wood's family in St. Johnsbury. Rey. C. D. R. Meacham and Milo Lackie and wife brought back good news from the association which they attended in Hardwick last week.

Mrs. Chester King's sister, Miss Wil liams, is caring for the older King children at Mrs. Elvira Brock's as they have been exposed to the measles and they wish to prevent the baby from being ex-

The measles are prevalent in this place and some of the children are very sick with them. Charles Lachance's little

girl is considered seriously ill.

Miss Ethel Cummings is visiting friends

McINDOES.

Mrs. Julia Smith is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Merritt E. Sornberger, in Burlington.

Miss Mabel A. Ford attended the St. ohnsbury Academy commencement exercises last week. Miss Virginia Perry is in Rutland, the guest of her uncle, Dr. Gilchrist.

Dr. Ben Meigs of Malcom, Iowa, is spending a few days at Seth Ford's. H s father, Church Meigs, who has been here for the past month, will accompany him on his return home.

Miss Flora Winch spent Sunday with friends in St. Johnsbury. Dudley Chase left last week for the Fabyan House, White Mountains, where

he will spend the summer. Murray McFarland has returned from Northampton, Mass., where he spent

six weeks as an attendant in the insane Mr. and Mrs. Dowe are visiting at George Payne's.

Philo Van Dyke returned from his school in Manchester, N. H., last week. Mrs. Aiken of Duncan, P. Q., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. O. Van

Last Friday afternoon lightning struck Martin Turner's barn, but the fire was put out before much damage had been done. Three of W. M. Stevens' cows were struck and instantly killed.

The graduation exercises of the ninth grade of the grammar school will be held in the church, Friday afternoon at two o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend. Following the exercises the graduates will hold a reception for which invitations have been given.

Mrs. William Kimball and Mrs. Thomas Murray attended the funeral of Mrs. Kimball Marshall, at Wells River, last week Tuesday. Mrs. Emily Peck returned to her home

here last Wednesday. Her son Arthur accompanied her. Mrs. B. W. Riley has been spending the

past two weeks with her sister in Lyme, N. H. Mrs. Angie Kenerson of Lakeport,

H., is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Miss Ida Ford and Miss Joe Duncan

attended the commencement exercises of Bradford High School, last week. The Woman's Missionary society meets with Mrs. Charlotte Martin this after-

Miss Florence McDonald is spending a

fortnight in St. Johnsbury. Mr. Smith of Lisbon is visiting his son, Lauren Smith.

WHEELOCK. Mr. and Mrs. George Cree of St. Johns bury visited at S. G. Cree's Sunday.

A. Craig has moved from Mrs. King's into the house that he bought of F. W. School closed Friday. There was a very small attendance the two last weeks

on account of the whooping cough and measles. Mrs. Sanborn and son, Carl, of East Charlest on, are staying here on their

farm for two weeks. Valley Lodge I. O. O. F., will serve re freshments to the members this evening. Rev. A. F. Hinckley delivered one of his popular temperance lectures Monday

evening to a full house. There will be a Fourth of July celebration here with a picnic dinner. Rev. Mr. Dixon will deliver the address and the Mosher band will furnish music.

Driven to Desperation.

Living at an out of the way place, re mote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c. at Flint Bros.' Drug Store.

WEST CONCORD.

Miss Mabel Granger is spending her vacation with her grandparents, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Granger. Mrs. James Bailey visited her daughter

at Sugar Hill last week. Walter May and his friend, Henry Safford, of West Safford, Conn., are vis iting his father, Prot. H. H. May.

Miss Caroline Wilson had the misfortune to fall and break her arm, last week. Miss Eva Howard was united in mar-

riage to Arthur Lang of Ryegate, last Libby Lewis and Jethro Lillicrap have gone to Hardwick to work in the stone

quarries. Mrs. Frank Turner, who has been stopping with her sister, Mrs. Shack-

ford, has gone to Lyndon to visit her parents. Mrs. James and son of Lisbon, N. H. visited at Miner Carpenter's last week.

B. D. Reed is ill with the grip. Miss Farmer, who has been having a vacation on account of the measles. began school again Monday.

Miss Ivanilla Sampson is spending her vacation with her parents.

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LUNENBURG.

Miss Susie Hale returned the last of the week from Lyndonville, where she has been visiting for several days. Dr. J. C. Breitling attended the medical

convention at Burlington last week. Mrs. John Renfrew and children of Littleton are visiting her mother, Mrs. Barnard, and sisters, before going to her new home in Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Carr of St. Johnsbury spent Saturday and Sunday at the Heights House.

The village school children gave an en

tertainment at the hall last evening. Mr. Breitling of Raudolph, Mass. father of the doctor, is making his son a visit.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. King Friday afternoon. Miss Edith Luce of Old Orchard is vis

iting her aunt, Mrs. Lorana Silsby. Following the laying of the corner-stone of the new Catholic church, Sunday, July 5, at 3 p. m., there will be held in the building a grand bazar, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Posters giving full particulars will soon be out. The orator of the day, Sunday, will be Rev. J. A. Lynch of St. Johnsbury. BRADFORD.

J. E. Worthen of Peterboro, N. H., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Worthen, on the South Road. Miss Lena Allen, who has been employ-

ed at Bristol the past season as trimmer in a millinery store, has returned home. Blanche Carleton was in Boston last week on business. Mrs. Carleton at the same time visited ber mother at Post

Miss Eva Thompson of Montpelier was a guest last week at A. W. Peters'. Miss Blanche Lachance who has been mployed in the New England telephone office at White River Junction for a year

past, has returned home. Mrs. B. S. Hooker has been engaged as choriter in the Congregational church. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Seale of Quebec are visiting Mrs. Seale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Worthen.

Miss Edith Chamberlin returned from Philadelphia last week, accompanied by Miss Nina Preston of Ioura, Mich. Miss Isabel Thyng, a former preceptress

n the school here, has been a guest at J W. Brown's and at the Congregational parsonage the past week. Dr. E. P. Smith is in Boston this week. Mrs. C. C. Doty spent last week in St.

ohnsbury with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Carter. Mrs. T. A. Chase and three sons are

visiting in Guildhall. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Johnson are attending commencement at Dartmouth College Miss Grace Rogers, a pupil in the high

school, has returned to her home in Newport for the summer vacation. Eugene H. Sleeper has gone to Nashua

where he has a position with the Nashua Telegram. Miss Ellen Colby commenced work in

the Opinion office, Monday. Miss Tina Bacon, a student in the high school, left Monday for her home n East Thetford.

S. J. Albee and wife of Littleton ar visiting their son, T. J. Albee. Mrs. Ernest B. McDuffee of Dayton Ohio, and her mother, Mrs. Bocall, and sister, of Boston, are visiting at H. C. McDuffee's.

Mrs. Alcina Peters has returned from Island Pond and opened her house for

Fred Winship has gone to the Sunset Hill House at Sugar Hill, N. H., to serve as bell boy during the summer. Will Cinnamon has returned from a vacation spent with his parents in

Canada. Mrs. George Morrison of Lyndonville spent last week with her niece, Mrs. F.

A. Walker. Miss Gertrude Dewey is clerking in Hunt's store.

LOWER WATERFORD. Mrs. Josiah Stoddard is visiting friends at East Barnet.

Mrs. C. S. Thomas of East St. Johns bury, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Cutting. Mrs. Wilbur Abbott and son Raymond

of Newburyport, Mass., visited at Charles Hemingway's last week. Miss Ina Thomas is spending the week with her parents in Lunenburg.

Mrs Nancy Roberts of St. Johnsbu Center is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. C. Bonnette. W. J. Lowrey and G. W. Wilson of St

Johnsbury, spent Sunday at George Morrison's. Rupert Cutting, who has been work ing for the Chicago Portrait Co., returned home Saturday.

M. L. Green spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mrs. Harry Olmstead and little daugh ter visited her sister, Mrs. Will Hender-

son, recently. Children's day was observed at the church Sunday. The pastor gave an address to the children using language that the youngest in the audience could clearly understand. The children's concert was very good, but owing to the rain some of those who were to take part were not present. The church was decorated with evergreen, cut flowers and potted plants.

The ideal soap for laundry or house hold is Sunlight. Eradicates dirt from all materials, yet never injures the daintiest fabrics or most delicate skin. Makes lines white and the laundry bright.

Jonathan Powers, for 21 years a resident of this town, passed away Thursday, June 11, after two years of almost perfect helplessness. His age was 89 years and six months. His remains were carried to Woodbury and placed in the family cemetery on the farm where he was born. During his long illness he was most faithfully and tenderly cared for by his niece, Miss Roxa Holden. Miss Holden has gone to Montpelier for a much needed rest.

Mrs. Mary Strout of Cumberland, Me., sister of O. C. Woodruff, died at Mr. Woodruff's Monday morning, June 15. She retired as usual and when called in the morning was found to be dead. Mr. Woodruff had left on the stock train but was reached by telegraph and returned on the 11 30 train. Mr. Woodruff, Mrs. Lawton, a sister and daughter from Boston accompanied the remains via Island Pond to her home. The family have the sympathy of the entire commu-

BARTON.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Bean was celebrated last Saturday. when all their children and nearest rela tives were present except Mrs. Bean's brother of Craitsbury and Frank Bean of Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Bean were margied on June 21st, 1853, at the hotel in Glover village, then kept by William Drew. They began their married life on a farm in Sheffield and have since lived in Albany, Irasburg and Greensboro, coming to Barton about 35 years ago. They have one son and two daughters and with one exception the family circle remains unbroken. The following persons enjoyed the fine dinner prepared skilled hostess: Mrs. Martha Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Beach, Lennie and Frank Reach of West Glover, Mrs. Mary Mor-rill, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Bean, Florence and Harold Bean of Barton, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ford and Howard Ford of Lyndonville, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert

French, Lola, Marjorie and Edward French of St. Johnsbury. Several letters of congratulation were read during the

dinner hour, and Mr. and Mrs. Bean were presented with a fine couch, five dollars in gold and several other presents E. A. Walcott photographen the group and the pleasant party broke up echoing the wish expressed in one of the letters that "in the future, as in the past, they might go hand in hand, and having passed the golden milestone, press on toward the diamond one."

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jackson of St. Johnsbury have been visiting friends here

the past week. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ordway have gone to West Burke to visit Mrs. Ordway's sister, Mrs. C arles Gorse.

Rev. Mr. Atkinson and wife went to Ryegate last week to attend the Sunday school convention.

Orvis Shaw was, at home over Sunday. H. Squart of Barnet, with his automobile, passed through the town Monday several accidents are the result. Jack Kittredge was quite seriously burt; his horse became frightened and thew him out cutting his face quite badly.

The Ladies' Mite society meets Thursday evening with Mrs. Maud Kittredge for a social, to which all are invited. Ice cream and cake will be served.

NORTH DANVILLE. Mrs. Robert H. Vance has been quite ill for two weeks, but is thought to be on

Miss Cora M. Wood of West Lebanon, N. H., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E.

The ladies of the Methodist church will hold their next sociable with Mrs. H. B. Ward, Friday evening, June 26. Th: proceeds are to go for Sunday school supplies. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Ladies are requested to carry

Rev. A. F. Hinckly delivered an illustrated temperance lecture at the Free Baptist church Sunday evening, but on account of the rain there was not a very large attendance.

C. M. Bailey raised his new barn Saturday and will make quite extensive repairs on his buildings this summer. Between 80 and 90 friends and neigh-

bors of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smith gathered at their home Monday evening to remind them that they had been married 20 years, and to help them celebrate the anniversary. A purse of about \$15 was presented them besides other presents. A general good time was enjoyed and all join in wishing them many more returns of the day.

The Missss Sadie and Gladys Smith are home from the normal school at lohnson for the summer vacation.

RYEGATE. The County Sunday school convention, which was held in the United Presbyterian church on Tuesday was largely at tended, 80 from other towns registering during the day.

The C. E. society will give a strawberry festival on Friday evening. A musi-cal program will be rendered. A large attendance is desired. Rev. F. A. Collins, W. H. Nelson, Orpha McLam, Alice Gibson, Mary Beattie,

Nellie and Lottie McLam attended the C. E. convention at Newbury on Wednes-Jersev Hill Creamery paid 24 cents a

pound for butter for month of May. Leslie McLam arrived in town Friday for his summer vacation, from Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. Mrs. Henry Henderson spent several

days in St. Johnsoury the past week, with her sister, Mrs. A. H. Noyes. The village school closed a very successful term of school on Friday with a picnic in the school building.

A pleasing operetta was given by the No. 9 school under instruction of Miss L. Guild in the Grange Hall on Friday evening. The proceeds will be used in securing a flag for their school. Miss Carlotta McLam is in St. Johns

bury with her sister, Mrs. L. P. Leach. On account of the illness of Miss Carma Gibson the W. C. T. U. will meet Thurs day at the home of Mrs. W. T. McLam. Jacob Symes is so far recovered from his fall as to be out on crutches.

Molasses and Salt Poultice. What is said to be an infallible remedy for sprains and bruises attended with painful inflammation is a poultice of hot molasses and salt. Stir the molasses so stiff with salt that the poultice can be held in place by a muslin bandage and wrap the affected parts well, so as to retain the heat as long as possible. This is good for beasts as well as human beings.

Mrs. Gadd-Wouldn't it be grand if science should discover the moon to be inhabited and hit on some way to talk with our lunar neighbors? Mrs. Gabb-Indeed it would. They would be near enough to talk to, yet

not near enough to be running in at all

hours of the day, you know.

The One Thing Free. "He took some fine views with his camera."

"Yes. There was nothing else he could take without having it charged up extra in the hotel bill."-Chicago Post. The Main Point.

Therese-It must have been a ter-

rible shock for you when you heard of

Helene-Oh no; I had still my new

the death of your aunt, was it not?

black silk dress.—Lustige Blatter.

Catarrh

Is a constitutional disease. It originates in a scrofulous condition of the blood and depends on that condition. It often causes headache and dizziness impairs the taste, smell and hearing, afimpairs the dase, shell and hearing, affects the vocal organs, disturbs the stomach.

It is always radically and permanently cured by the blood-purifying, alterative and tonic action of

Hood's Sarsaparilla This great melicine has wrought the most wonderful cures of all diseases depending on scrotula or the scrofulous habit.

Of all Napoleon's insanities, for they were nothing less, the climax was the ambition, and, what was also undoubtedly strong in him, sheer love of the bloody game of war? He evidenly reckoned on encountering the Russian army of defense nearer the frontier, winning an Austerlitz or a Jena, dictating terms as he had dictated them to in vain to force a battle at Smelensko. The Russians instead of fighting him near the frontier retreated before him, gave up their country to his ravages, compelled him to make a march in which he lost a great part of his enormous host and after handling him very severely at Borodino evacuated Moscow, leaving it in flames. They then refused to treat with him. He had consequently to decamp without having provided for retreat or subsistence. He lost almost his entire army in the wintry wastes and but for the extraordinary conduct of Kutusoff in letting him and his guard pass unopposed would himself have fallen into the hands of the enemy. This error was on a far more imposing scale and more tragical than any blunder of Beaulieu or Mack. But was it less of a blunder or less of a detraction from

cance. Where the gulf stream is deflected from Newfoundland toward the Azores is the Sargasso sea, the surface of which is a mass of floating seaweed. Its popular name among sailors is the Green sea nowadays, and in earlier times it was noticed with astonishment by Columbus and his sailors, while its weed clad waters were called by others

A part of the Persian gulf is also known by this name on account of a remarkable strip of vividly green water which is seen along the Arabian

assume this distinctive tint, which may be due either to the presence of multitudes of microscopic plants or living atoms or to the depth or density or saltness of the water itself.

ticed that the dancing was uphill work and when it was over sank into a chair in the incipient stages of exhaustion. The young woman looked thoughtfully across the shining surface of the floor and threw a glance of investigation at the corner where the punch bowl stood. "Doesn't it strike you that the floor is

The young man gallantly denied "It seems so to me," the young woman observed. Then she looked down

at her foot, protruding from a silken flounce, and exclaimed: "Why, I've got my rubbers on!"-

New York Post.

Taking the Cake. Concerning the expression "Take the cake," the following from Bartlett and Coyne's "Scenery and Antiquities of Ireland," describing a dance in front of a shebeen, is an interesting illustration: "A churn dish stuck into the earth supported on its flat end a cake, which was to become the prize of the best dancer. The contention was carried on for a long time with extraordinary spirit. At length the competitors yielded their claims to a young man, the son of a rich farmer in the neighborhood, who, taking the cake, placed it gallantly in the lap of a pretty girl

no quarter. The vendetta neither sleeps nor knows where it may stop. It is not confined to two persons. The quarrels of individuals are taken up by whole families. Not even collateral branches are exempt, and women must take their chances with the men.

were making a dictionary and defined crab as "a small red fish that walks backward" illustrates the need of exact knowledge. Cuvier said the definition was excellent, only that the crab was not a fish, was not red and did not walk backward.

them. In a disciplined mind knowledge or hand, or foot, hither, thither, anywhere, and for any use desired.

John-You are always busy when come in.

We can never find out what the future has in store for us until we have Hoop's Pills are the best cathartic. paid the storage charges.-Puck.

NAPOLEON'S FOLLIES.

The Climax Came With the Senseless Invasion of Russia.

invasion of Russia. What motive can he have had for this, saving delirious Austria or Prussia, and returning to Paris in triumph. He was deceived in the character of his enemy. He tried the reputation of the man of action or even from that of the commander? It is frightful to think what power a despot has for evil. There was probably not a soul on either side, saving Napoleon himself, who desired the Russian expedition.—Goldwin Smith in Atlantic.

The Green Sen.

There is no sea to which the name green sea is applied in topography, but the term is used as descriptive of parts of the ocean with appropriate signifi-

· the seaweed meadows.

Many other large tracts of the ocean

Why Her Dancing Dragged.

An athletic young man, with a fine, strong physique, danced with a young woman of some 200 pounds in a village not far west of Rahway, N. J. He no-

very sticky tonight?" she inquired.

to whom he was about to be married."

The Vendetta. The cross is a threat of death, and the Corsican who finds it drawn upon his door knows that he must look for

Defining a "Crab." The old story of the Frenchmen who

The Mind. Unreflective minds possess thoughts only as a jug does water, by containing exists like vital force in the physical frame, ready to be directed to tongue.

Charles-Well, you always come in when I'm busy.

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Cutting Off the Nose For Punishment Rameses II. of Egypt cut off the nose of any person convicted of treason or arson. Actisanes, another Egyptian ruler, punished robbers in the same way. After each nose had been amputated back even with the "bridge" the culprit was sent to a colony of noseless felons, the place of banishment being known as Rhinoconum, from the nature of the punishment its colonists had undergone.

In England in 1671 Lord Coventry, then "great keeper of the British seal," had his nose cut off by order of the king because he had dared to ask some questions about an actress then playing at Drury Lane theater.

A conscript who protested openly that he had been enrolled in the army of Frederick the Great in a fraudulent manner had his nose amputated by order of that sovereign, who spoke of the punishment as an "indelible mark on the front side of the face."

The Impossible.

The Duke of Wellington wanted a

certain piece of work done and in-

structed an officer of the Royal engineers to do it. After examination the officer informed the duke that it was impossible. The duke sent for another officer, a much younger man and attached to an-

other division of the army. This officer did what the duke required. The next morning there appeared in the "orders of the day" the following epigrammatic note: "He who in war fails to do what he undertakes may always plead accident, which invariably attends military affairs; but he who declares a thing to be impossible which is subsequently accomplished registers

his own incapacity." Most Expensive Tree In the World. Probably the most expensive tree in the world is in the City of London, on the corner of Cheapside and Wood street, about midway between the Bank of England and St. Paul's. It is an enormous oak, and is said to be 100 years old. It is protected by a clause in the deed of the property which forbids destruction of tree or branches. Architects were compelled to plan a rather peculiar building to avoid the branches. There it stands in the corner of one of the busiest streets in London, occupying ground of enormous value-and positively the

only tree in the City of London outside of the parks. Wrong Foot Out of Bed. About half the world puts the wrong foot out of bed in the morning. But which is the wrong foot? It is a superstition as old as the hills that if the left foot touches the floor first you will have bad luck that day. Probably multitudes of men avoid this by sleeping on the right side of the bed, so that in rising the right foot naturally comes first in contact with the floor. It is said to be a fact that most people lie on their right side because of the prevalent notion that the heart has freer ac-

When Romans Kissed. Rowena, the beautiful daughter of the Saxon Hengist, is credited with having introduced kissing into the British islands. The Romans had a really delightful word for a kiss-oscuand meant a little mouth, a sweet mouth. "Give me a sweet little mouth" would be the phrase used when a good little Roman boy asked his mother for all the rest of 'em.

tion.-New York Press.

The First Allusion to the Horse. In that portion of Genesis which tells the story of Joseph, the famine, etc., we find the first historical allusion to the horse, and farther on in holy writ we read of the horses of the great and wise Solomon, which numbered 40,000 -that is, if the 40,000 stalls for horses are to be taken as a criterion. He Dared.

Parke-Peterkin has a lot of moral

courage, hasn't he?

Lane-How do you know?

had."-Detroit Free Press.

"Why, I got half way through a story I was telling him when I asked him if he had heard it, and he said he

Unhappy Man! "Yes, my old friend, I have been the victim of misfortune in all my love affairs. My first sweetheart died, the second jilted me, and the third became my wife!"

The Jordan's course in a straight line is only sixty miles. Along its stream it measures 213 miles.

Ancient Ideas of Africa.

In mediæval times Africa was an unknown continent as well as Asia. Until a few years after the discovery of Columbus no one had sailed around it, and it was quite generally thought. as it had previously been thought in regard to Asia, that the African continent extended on and on indefinitely. It was supposed that far to the south was the zone of heat, in which no human being could live. This was by no means an unreasonable inference to the ancients. They knew that the farther they sailed to the north the colder it grew and that in the extreme north was a region of perpetual ice and snow.

sailed to the south the warmer it grew, and what was more natural for them to suppose that if they went far enough in that direction they would come upon lands that were parched and baked and upon seas that boiled, where nothing could live but salamanders?

He Could Wield an Ax.

the skill of the Maine shipbuilders in

Queer and racy are the tales told of

They also knew that the farther they

the use of the adz and broadax. One old time yarn is of a carpenter who applied very drunk at a shipyard for employment. In order to have a little fun with him the foreman set him to give a proof of his skill by hewing out a wooden bolt with no chopping block but a stone. The carpenter accomplished his difficult task without marring the keen edge of the broadax and showed the foreman a neatly made bolt. Then he brought the ax down with a terrific blow that shattered its edge upon the stone. "I can hew fust rate on your chopping block," he hiccoughed, "but I'll be blamed if I can

foreman lost no time in employing such a workman. How the Patent Office Was Saved. When in the war of 1812 the British, who had taken Washington, trained their guns upon the patent office, Dr. Thornton, throwing himself directly

before the guns, cried:

make the ax stick in it when I git

through." The story runs that the

Vandals? This is the patent office-a depository of the ingenuity and inventions of the American nation, in which the whole civilized world is interested. Would you destroy it? Then let the charge pass through my body."

And the building was spared. Twen-

"Are you Englishmen or Goths and

ty-four years afterward, however, it was destroyed by fire, together with

everything in it. Localizing Her Emotions. Our minister during a call sang one of those touching, simple melodies which Edith is so fond of hearing. She was very attentive, gazing on his face with her bright, wondering eyes. As the song continued tears began to glisten beneath the lids and glide down her dimpled cheeks. After a few min-

utes' silence he asked: "Edith, how do you like it?" "Oh, very much, Mr. Webb; but it hurts my eyes."-Little Chronicle.

Her Troubles.

Single Man (to himself)-I am sure

that darling little angel loves me. She takes me into her confidence and tells me all her troubles. Same Man (some years later)-Confound it all! From morning till night lum, which came from os, the mouth, and night till morning when I'm at home I hear nothing but tales about the servants, the butcher, the butler, the baker, the candlestick maker and

An Eye For Business. "I am afraid the nobleman who is to become your son-in-law has not much talent for business."

rox. "If he can manage to get as good prices for other merchandise as he does for a title I'll trust him to take his chances in business."-San Francisco Wasp.

"I don't know," answered Mr. Cum-

Mix-I noticed your wife sitting by the window sewing this morning. I

thought you told me yesterday she was 111. Dix-So she was, but today she's on the mend.

Borrowed Plumes.

"Some folks' ideas," said Uncle Eben, "is jes' like an ostrich's feathers, Dey doesn' 'mount to nuffin' in partickler till dey gets into de possession of

Fisherman's Luck. "So you think justice should be represented with a rod and reel?" "Yes, of course! The big fish most always eet away."-Puck.

somebody else."-Washington Star.